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Kuipers Nominated by Senate Majority Leader to Serve on NCSL Education Committee

(LANSING) – State Senate Wayne Kuipers, R-Holland, today announced he has been nominated by Senate Majority Leader Ken Sikkema to serve on the National Conference of State Legislatures Education Committee.

“I am grateful to Senator Sikkema for nominating me to serve on the NCSL’s Education Committee,” Kuipers said. “I look forward to the many new responsibilities that this position carries. There are many state and federal education issues I feel passionately about and I am eager to begin work immediately with my new colleagues.”

The National Conference of State Legislatures is focused on improving the quality and effectiveness of state legislatures, promoting policy innovation and communication among state legislatures and ensuring state legislatures a strong, cohesive voice in the federal system. The organization was founded in 1975, and is the only organization that provides an open, bipartisan national forum for lawmakers to communicate with one another and share ideas.

“Senator Kuipers is well qualified to serve on the National Conference of State Legislatures Education Committee,” Sikkema, R-Wyoming, said. “His experience as chair of both the Senate and House Education Committee, along with his leadership skills and ability to work on a bipartisan level, make him a terrific candidate for this position.”

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The education committee meets three times a year – in the fall, spring and at the organizations annual meeting. As a member of the committee, Senator Kuipers will be responsible for developing the organization’s position on federal statutes and working with other state legislators to further education policies on a statewide and federal level.